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AN INTERFACE FOR A

SECURITY COPROCESSOR

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendment prior to examination of this patent application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 2, please enter the following new section as the very first section:

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

[0001] This application claims the benefit of U.S. provisional patent application number

60/307,643 entitled "Interface for a Security Coprocessor," filed July 24, 2001.--